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In the Claims

Please amend Claims 38 and 43 as follows:

et D1

38. (Amended) The automatic door latch restraint assembly of Claim 35, further comprising a manually operable button connected to the second latch for inserting the second latch into the keeper.

43. (Amended) An automatic door latch restraint assembly comprising: et D1  
an automatic door latch including a dead bolt movable to an extended position in which the dead bolt automatically locks against retraction when end pressure is applied to the dead bolt, a partially retracted position and a fully retracted position, and a first spring biasing the dead bolt toward the extended position; and  
restraint means including a second latch for manually securing the dead bolt in the fully retracted position.

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